CDs containing call for Jehad

†4483. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards the reports that the CDs commending Taliban, smuggled from Nepal and containing call for Jehad are being distributed in the border districts of Bihar;

(b) if so, the action being taken in this regard; and

(c) if not, whether Government intend to take necessary action after collecting information thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) No such CDs are in circulation in border districts of Bihar. However, a CD on these lines is reportedly in circulation in Bhojpur District.

(b) and (c) The Government of Bihar has been sensitized and intelligence agencies are seized of the matter.

Begging at public places in Delhi

†4484. SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether begging at public places in Delhi is an offence;

(b) whether it is a fact that Delhi Administration and Police have been unsuccessful in implementing the law and as a result thereof the Delhi High Court has given direction for its implementation;

(c) whether mafia is playing a role in instigating the practice of begging;

(d) if so, the action being taken in this regard;

(e) the details of the schemes to make public places free of beggars; and

(f) by when this scheme will be fully implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Yes, Sir. Begging in public places is an offence

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under the Bombay Prevention of Begging Act, 1959 as extended to the Union Territory of Delhi.

(b) No, Sir. All Station House Officers of Delhi Police have been directed to take legal action against those found to be begging in public places and beggars are regularly apprehended under the provisions of law. However, the High Court of Delhi *vide* their order dated 8th February, 2007 in Writ Petition (Crl) No. 1840/2006 titled Court On Its Own Motion *Vs.* Commissioner of Police, Delhi and others,/fitera/Za, directed the Director of the Department of Social Welfare of the Government of NCT of Delhi "to prepare and submit its report duly supported with statistics on the existing problem of begging in Delhi and the difficulties faced in the implementation of the Act as also the under-utilisation of Beggars Home. The matter is still *sub-judice.*

(c) No such case has come to notice.

(d) Does not arise.

(e) The scheme to make public places free from beggars includes constitution of anti-begging squads for conducting regular raids at public places with a view to apprehending beggars, anti-beggary publicity done regularly through media, setting up of custodial institutions to provide counseling and guidance to beggars to keep them away from begging, and establishment of a Special Court with one Metropolitan Magistrate for dealing exclusively with beggars. The Department of Social Welfare of Government of NCT of Delhi is also running different vocational trade classes for rehabilitation of inducted beggars.

(f) Removal of beggars from Delhi is continuing process.

Shipra Path as Best Police Station in the World

4485. SHRI K.P.K. KUMARAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Shipra Path Police Station in Jaipur, Rajasthan, has been adjudged by a Global Team to be the 'Best Police Station in the World';

(b) whether it is a fact that the Police Station never aspired to win such